

M.Sc Semester-4 Examination

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Polymer Science

April-2024

Time : 2-30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Question – 1 Write the following in detail**Marks**

- (i) Write a note on Biopolyesters. **07**
- (ii) Describe the comparative study of reprocessed PE/Starch on film properties, recycling other degradable. **07**

OR

- (i) Describe the step-by-step method to produce PE/corn starch-based biodegradables. **07**
- (ii) Write the advantages and disadvantages of Biodegradable polymers. **07**

Question – 2 Write the following in detail

- (i) Explain the soil burial test of starch based biodegradable polymers in detail. **07**
- (ii) How does chemical degradation start biodegradation? Explain briefly. **07**

OR

- (i) Enlist starch-based biodegradable polymers and describe any one. **07**
- (ii) What is the standard adopt for the biodegradable plastic testing? Explain any one in detail. **07**

Question – 3 Write the following in detail

- (i) What are the physical factors that influence enzyme activity? Explain briefly. **07**
- (ii) Elaborate the method of producing starch-based biodegradable polymers in detail. **07**

OR

- (i) Describe the petri-dish screen test for the biodegradable plastics. **07**
- (ii) Define biodegradability. What are the criteria used in the evaluation of biodegradable polymers. **07**

Question – 4 Write the following in detail

- (i) What is biodegradable polymer? Give an example of biodegradable polymer? **07**
- (ii) Explain the method of composting biodegradables in brief. **07**

OR

- (i) What are the problems occurring during recycling of PE/starch biodegradable plastic? Discuss in short. **07**
- (ii) What are enzymes and how are they classified? **07**

Question – 5 Give short answer (attempt any seven out of twelve)**14**

- (i) The factors that influence polymer biodegradation are _____.
 (a) Physical factors (c) Chemical factors
 (b) Morphological factors (d) All of the above
- (ii) Composting occurs at the following stages _____.
 (a) Cooling and maturation (c) Mesophilic
 (b) Thermophilic (d) All of the above
- (iii) _____ biodegradable polymers are created by combining raw materials such as microbial fermented lactic acid.
 (a) PGA (c) PLA
 (b) PHBV (d) PHB
- (iv) The _____ process is characterised by the sequential growth and depletion of microbial subpopulations.

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- (a) Composting test
(b) Soil burial test
(c) Petri-dish test
(d) All of the above
- (v) Biodegradable polymer degradation is followed by _____.
(a) Both (b) and (c)
(b) Biological activity
(c) Enzymatic activity
(d) None of the above
- (vi) A _____ polymer is a type of biodegradable synthetic polymer.
(a) Collagen
(b) Dextran
(c) PLA
(d) Starch
- (vii) The ASTM standards for Accelerated Weathering (UV) tests are _____.
(a) ASTM D4459
(b) ASTM D2565
(c) ASTM D4329
(d) None of the above
- (viii) During bulk erosion process of polymer, the hydrolysis occurs throughout the _____.
(a) Bulk of the polymer
(b) Interface of the polymer
(c) Surface of the polymer
(d) All of the above
- (ix) Because of its _____, starch is not used in its natural form.
(a) Poor in dimensional stability
(b) Poor in processability
(c) Poor in mechanical properties
(d) All of the above
- (x) _____ examined the exposed surface of biodegradable polymer samples.
(a) Energy dispersive X-ray
(b) X-ray diffraction
(c) Scanning electron microscopy
(d) None of the above
- (xi) Which of the following is not an enzyme group?
(a) Lyases
(b) Ligases
(c) Hydrolases
(d) Aminases
- (xii) The biodegradation of plastic caused by the action of naturally occurring microorganisms such as _____.
(a) Bacteria
(b) Fungi
(c) Algae
(d) All of the above

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